

..New York.. Stock Market

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New York, September 16.—Judged merely by the closing prices, leading stocks scored advances. Today's stock market, however, had alternate fits of activity and dullness, that gave a confused color to fluctuations.

Foreign markets changed their attitude, and international houses were buyers of stock in the early trading for the first time in many weeks.

United States Steel, Amalgamated Copper, Union Pacific and Southern Pacific were purchased. A lively market for Canadian Pacific was quoted on London markets, while the stock rose from 230 3/8 to 235 1/2, retaining over 3 1/2 points of the rise on our market.

Favorable figures on the European copper situation encouraged purchases of Amalgamated, carrying the price above 80.

Copper at 17 cents is not only an established fact, but higher figures are freely predicted.

Reading Leads Actives.

Reading again led in point of activity, over 100,000 shares changing hands. From 165 3/8 to 167 1/2, where the movement was checked by profit-taking. This stock was well, and some of our best market judges expressed the opinion that a further advance will occur. Steel has become neglected. Now that a large part of the short interest has covered, there is probably a natural market for the shares.

Professional traders find it impossible to scalp eighths or quarters, and have abandoned the crowd in disgust.

Interboro-Metropolitan preferred sold off on the disappointment that no action has been taken on the question of a dividend. American Can was active and lost fractionally. If current statistics may be believed, insiders are tumbled over each other to dispose of their holdings. If the stories are true, it will be the first case on record where authentic information was furnished the public regarding the inside operations of the big men. Experience suggests the wisdom of discrediting the rumors.

Ores Present Possibilities.

During a period of dullness Great Northern Ore certificates were advanced from 36 1/4 to 37 1/4. Trading in these shares is very limited, and the advance was soon forgotten. Pittsburgh Coal issues were strong, the preferred rising two points and the common one. Owing to the great combination of bituminous coal estates in this country, these shares have speculative possibilities that will pay investors.

Foreign exchange had a sharp break, indicating gold imports. It is believed that a movement of metal in this direction cannot long be deferred, and that predicted that imports of gold will stimulate speculation here.

New Haven dropped two points, and this attracted attention to a decline in the New York, West Chester and Boston 1 1/2 per cent bonds, guaranteed principal and interest by the New Haven. They changed hands to-day at 83.

Bonds Under Pressure.

Government bonds were under pressure. The 2 per cents were 97 bid, with out-of-town institutions offering. The inquiry for investment bonds shows a growing tendency, in fact, in all the markets investment issues have a firmer tone. Money rates were unchanged for call loans, but time funds are still scarce at firmer rates.

The promised extra distribution on Union Pacific has electrified the speculative atmosphere. Rumors now include Reading and Canadian Pacific. In the meantime, speculative interest is increasing, the market occasionally gets dull, but not weak, rallies are sharp as they should be, and the general tone of the street is decidedly optimistic.

New York, September 16.—Operations on the long side in the stock market today met with indifferent success. The position of the market having been strengthened by the resumption of trading, bulls sought to bring about the continuation of the movement forward. The pronounced rise of a few leaders failed to arouse enthusiasm, and trading lacked the breadth of last week.

Reading apparently was selected as the leader, and its advance was followed by a number of other issues. The further decrease in European supplies and the advancing prices, leading to the belief that the year-end distribution of new high record for the year. By rising 2 points to 83, Canadian Pacific advanced 1/2 point to 235 1/2. Toward the close selling pressure became greater. New Haven fell to a new low record at 82 1/2.

Money rates held strong to-day. Foreign exchange rates again were the subject of much discussion of the possibility of gold imports.

Most trading bonds were inclined to sell off, but there were points of strength among active issues. Total sales, par value, \$1,257,000.

United States registered declined 1/2 and the registered 1 1/2 on call. Sales of the 2 1/2 registered were made at 95 1/2, compared with 95 1/2 yesterday and 95 1/2 last week.

Total sales were \$2,458,000.

New York, September 16.—Money on call firm at 2 1/2; 30-day rate, 3 1/2; closing, 2 1/2. Time loans, stronger, 3 1/2; 60-day, 4 1/2; 90-day, 4 1/2; 120-day, 4 1/2. Prime mercantile paper, 4 1/2; 60-day, 4 1/2. Prime exchange, 4 1/2; 60-day, 4 1/2; 90-day, 4 1/2; 120-day, 4 1/2. Bar silver, 60 1/2; Mexican dollars, 45. Government bonds weak; railroad bonds easy.

RICHMOND STOCK MARKET.

By Caskle & Burch & Co., Stock and Bond Brokers, 111 E. Main Street, Richmond, Va., September 16, 1913.

STATE SECURITIES.

Virginia 5, Old, C. and R., 1912, 80 1/2; Va. Centuries, 2-3, C. and R., 1911, 81 1/2.

RAILROAD BONDS.

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